

I again thank the gentlewoman for yielding.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I must say as I wind down this hour that I think on day 72 we have had a very interesting discussion here about some of the things that happened in those first 72 days. The gentleman's attempt to try and get things back on course as we attain clean water, and the attempt that we have been talking about here to try and get things back on course in our commitment to children I think is very, very critical.

This is going to be a very exciting weekend. I think that going home on day 72 with the fact that we finally got up to 200 votes because enough members said no, those rescissions went much too far, you should not take from the poorest to give tax cuts to the richest; that is wrong, it gets us in a much better frame of mind to work on all of the issues that will be in front of this Congress next week when we will be dealing with very tough issues on welfare and nutrition issues that we have been discussing.

I think more and more people around the country are talking about it. As I said, this Sunday there will be many Members serving a lunch here on Capitol Hill, thousands of children are coming in, we are going to try to encircle the Capitol, we are going to be talking about these are our future, these children are our future, and if we do not care about them we are in real trouble. We often talk about natural resources being timber and coal and oil; well, yes, they are, but there is no natural resource as important to the sustenance of this country and the future as our children. They are our greatest natural resource.

So there will be that great event going on here this Sunday. And as I say, the Members serving will be wearing these and wearing ties and we are hoping to also go back to our districts, as I will be. We will be talking to the local people there and we hope to only keep building that number. If we can get it from 200 to 219 we can say stop, stop this war on children, let us go back and let us look at where we ought to be cutting.

Yes, we should have cut the super collider a long time ago. We put a lot of money in that hole in the ground and they found the quark without it.

Yes, we can cut an awful lot of programs in America's space program. We put a 400-percent increase in some of the things. Nobody in the world can spend a 400-percent increase efficiently.

Come on; get a clue. No, we do not need to do star wars and some of the other commitments that people have made, not when the Berlin Wall has come down and we are living in an entirely different generation.

The issues in defense are what is the threat out there, and if we are spending more than almost the whole rest of the world combined is on defense and we cannot find a way to defend ourselves

spending that much money we are in real trouble.

Those are the kind of debates we should have rather than this meanness and this attitude of picking on those who are least able to fight back.

I think there is a lot of anxiety in this society right now, anxiety about where they are going to go in the future, what kind of job are they going to have, will their lives be better. I understand that and I think every single American has some degree of that anxiety.

But being mean to kids is certainly not going to lessen America's anxiety. We ought to be looking at what we can do here to make people's lives better.

I introduced a bill I think would help, and that is to allow Americans to be able to bid off the same health care program we have. Why should they not be able to bid off of that same menu that every Member of Congress, every Federal employee, Federal retiree, the President, every one else bids off of? That says to them you can have our choices. It allows them to stop.

We have been reading this week about Members putting folks on their payroll for 1 month out of the year for \$100 so that person gets the option to bid off our health care benefits. Well hey, we cannot do that for everybody in America, we cannot put them all on our payroll. That does not make sense. This ought to be available.

Think of what creative energy that would free up for Americans and some of the tensions it would take off Americans who feel locked in their job because if they quit their job they are afraid they will lose their health care insurance, or locked in their job because they have health care now but if they went somewhere else they would have what is now called a preexisting condition, or someone who cannot quit and become self-employed because they know that if they are self-employed they will not have health care.

Think of that harness that absolutely stymies the creative energy in this country. It does not allow people to go where they think they could make the best contribution to society or make the most money for their family. Health care is a real anchor around their necks.

We did not deal with it last year. This is a way we could deal with it. It would alleviate only some of the anxiety families have. But it is that kind of anxiety we ought to be analyzing and trying to address, because when we allow it to build and build and build, then what we end up doing as a society is becoming Bosnia, where we are looking around trying to find who we can blame, who we can yell at, who we can throw radio epithets at over talk show hosts, how we can energize people to go hate. And I tell you, if we keep doing that this society comes apart.

But those who attack a child are shameless. Attacking a child and attacking a child who has no way to fight back is absolutely wrong.

When you look at every other part of the Western world, they do so much more for their children, it is embarrassing. I only hope we begin to look at that, we look at the mirror, we talk about what we are doing, and we also take our mind off our ingrown toenail and start looking at the horizon ahead of us and saying what are these programs to do as we march this country toward the future.

So I thank all of you for tolerating us in this interesting discussion we have had about children, the future, where we are going. I also must say I do end on a more positive note than I thought I would because I think the votes came out a lot better, and it says educating and talking is beginning to work.

Let us only do more of it.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Hallen, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a concurrent resolution of the House of the following title:

H. Con. Res. 41. Concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment of the House from Thursday, March 16, 1995, to Tuesday, March 21, 1995.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 1995, the gentleman from California [Mr. TUCKER] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. TUCKER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES TO REVIEW PANEL FOR THE OFFICE OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

The Speaker pro tempore (Mr. KIM) laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable RICHARD A. GEPHARDT:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER,
Washington, DC, March 15, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with House Rule LI, Clause 7(a) (2), in my capacity as Democratic Leader, I appoint the following House employees to the review panel for the Office of Fair Employment Practices: Karen Nelson, Office of Congressman Waxman, and Marda Robillard, Office of Congressman Dingell.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD A. GEPHARDT.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of illness.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WATT of North Carolina) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. VOLKMER, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. GEPHARDT, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HOSTETTLER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MCCOLLUM, for 5 minutes each day, on March 21 and 23.

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes each day, on today and March 21.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CLEMENT, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WATT of North Carolina) and to include extraneous matter:)

Ms. DELAURO.
Mr. KILDEE.
Mr. TAUZIN.
Mr. BECERRA.
Mr. CLAY.
Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
Mr. EVANS.
Ms. SLAUGHTER.
Mr. JACOBS.
Mr. GEJDENSON in two instances.
Mr. MARKEY.
Mr. DICKS.
Mr. VENTO.
Mr. GEPHARDT.
Mr. MOAKLEY.
Mrs. THURMAN.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HOSTETTLER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. LATOURETTE.
Mr. ENSIGN.
Mr. MCHUGH.
Mr. LAHOOD.
Mr. GILLMOR in three instances.
Mr. ROTH.
Mr. PACKARD.
Mr. CRANE.
Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas.
Mr. OXLEY.

ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY,
MARCH 21, 1995

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 41 of the 104th Con-

gress, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 21, 1995 for morning hour debates.

Thereupon (at 4 o'clock and 29 minutes p.m), pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 41, the House adjourned until Tuesday, March 21, 1995, at 12:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
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Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

549. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for fiscal years 1996 and 1997 and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Commerce.

550. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement with Australia (Transmittal No. DTC-4-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

551. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the production of major military equipment with Korea (Transmittal No. DTC-2-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776 (c) and (d); to the Committee on International Relations.

552. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and services sold commercially to Russia/Kazakhstan (Transmittal No. DTC-37-94), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

553. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for an export license of defense services sold commercially to Saudi Arabia (Transmittal No. MC-6-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

554. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Japan (Transmittal No. DTC-38-94), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

555. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for an export license of major defense services sold commercially to Kuwait (Transmittal No. MC-5-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

556. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for major defense services sold commercially to Saudi Arabia (Transmittal No. MC-7-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

557. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on chemical and biological weapons proliferation control efforts for the period of February 1, 1994, to January 31, 1995, pursuant to Public Law 102-182, sec-

tion 308(a) (105 Stat. 1257); to the Committee on International Relations.

558. A letter from the Chairman, the Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting the 1994 annual report, pursuant to Public Law 102-73, section 1103(a)(4) (103 Stat. 512); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

559. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SOLOMON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 117. Resolution providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 4) to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence (Rept. 104-83). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DICKS:

H.R. 1257. A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. FLAKE:

H.R. 1258. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to increase the guarantee fee charged by the Small Business Administration on general business loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. JEFFERSON:

H.R. 1259. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to give a priority to the States for the transfer of nonlethal excess supplies of the Department of Defense; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. WILLIAMS, and Mr. POMEROY):

H.R. 1260. A bill to ensure equity in, and increased recreation and maximum economic benefits from, the control of the water in the Missouri River system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MOAKLEY (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. KENNELLY, Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas, Ms. PRYCE, and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts):

H.R. 1261. A bill to provide for duty free treatment for entries and withdrawals of tamoxifen citrate after December 31, 1993, and before January 1, 1995; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. Towns, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. STARK, Ms. LOWEY, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, and Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida):

H.R. 1262. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the enforcement and compliance programs; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.